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SA Senate amends bill, debates charity funding

by Lisa Leiter
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The GW Student Association Senate amended the April 25 finance bill last night in response to the Program Board's refusal to appoint members to the SA Funding Board committee. In addition, SA Funding Board Chair Jay Asher discussed the board's denial to fund Derby Days, a five-day Sigma Chi sponsored fundraising event involving all sororities.

The senate voted to amend the bill which removed the PB's approximate \$30,000 co-sponsorship fund.

According to the amendment, three SA members in addition to three PB members would be appointed each academic year to the committee. However, since the PB can "decline their appointed positions," the amendment states that "if no appointments have been made by the last day of undergraduate classes and/or no reply has been given to the Student Association president-elect within these same time parameters, it will be assumed that (the) PB has declined."

School of Government and Public Management Senator Gary Frank said, "This amendment sets up a framework for future PB participation."

The approved amendment will enable SA President Frank Petramale to nominate three "interested students who are not officers in any SA funded organization," the amendment stated. "PB has notified the senate that it will not be sitting on the Funding Board committee and it is a dead issue," PB Vice Chair Kim Flynn said.

School of Education and Human Development Senator Ellen Cohen, who authored the piece, said the amendment suggests that all members of the funding committee should attend each meeting "so that they can be fully aware of all proceedings and decisions made," rather than the present rotation procedure.

In a telephone interview after the meeting, Asher said, "My interpretation of the guidelines set forth to the Funding Board is that money is not to be given directly to charities."

The Funding Board has requested additional information to be presented at an appeals hearing Monday about the breakdown of finances for Derby Days, which will benefit Lift Me Up, a therapeutic horsemanship program in Northern Virginia which enables disabled students and adults to ride horses.

"Derby Days is an event that PB has sponsored three years in a row and we are asking them to sponsor a talent night where no money exchanges hands. If we were having just a talent night, we would probably get funding. The talent night is open to the entire GW campus and it will not happen if not funded," Derby Days Chairman Chris Fincke said.

"I encouraged Chris to provide additional information to get a clearer description about whether it is a profit organization and who is making money," Asher said.

Sigma Chi asked for \$813 to provide funds for hoagies, pretzels, soda and three security guards.

When asked why Miriam's All-Nighter — a night of competitive events to raise money for a local soup kitchen — received funding and Derby Days did not, Asher said, "That decision was made by the senate which is a separate entity and it is not my place to judge the senate's reasoning for giving that money."

PB Chair Mary Conneely said for the past three years, Sigma Chi was allocated funds for Derby Days, and the PB took charity events on a case-by-case basis.

"I don't see where (Asher's) justification is. Derby Days is an event open to the whole campus. It's not like they are writing a check (directly) to the charity," she said.

Senators also discussed the need for advising.

Academic Affairs Committee Chair and Elliot School of International Affairs Senator Lonny Chick said all schools need peer advising, and suggested a senate resolution to suggest this. Columbian College of Arts and

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A GW grad student voices her opinion at last night's Town Meeting.

GW students voice complaints Vice President Chernak listens, pledges action on campus issues

by Emily Cohen
Hatchet Staff Writer

GW Students voiced their complaints about the University's food service, academic advising, financial aid, cosmetic versus academic priorities and administration communication to Vice President for Student and Academic Support Services Robert Chernak, yesterday at a Town Meeting in George's.

Approximately 50 people attended the event, sponsored by the GW Student Association in cooperation with Chernak. "I was here mainly to listen," Chernak said.

The meeting was "an open forum for a lot of communication between students and administrators," according to SA Vice President of Student Affairs Matthew Moog.

SA President Frank Petramale said "hopefully, we can use the ideas we come up with together as a mandate for action."

Sophomore Cheryl Kula told the story of her financial aid difficulties, explaining the circumstances that are forcing her to leave GW. Kula said she is one of six children, her parents are divorced and her mother makes only \$23,000 a year. Kula said the Office of Student Financial Assistance told her she is still expected to pay \$8,000 this year for tuition, as well as pay back a \$2,000 Pell Grant. She said her sister, who attends Washington University in St. Louis and shares the identical financial situation, is expected to pay only \$800 this year.

The lack of money was not the only complaint about the financial aid office. One student said the office was "understaffed and crowded into a corner." Long lines,

misinformation and faulty communication within the department were other problems mentioned by students.

Money was the issue with the Marriott Corporation, GW's food service provider. Students questioned Marriott's monopolization of the catering inside the Marvin Center and in other campus buildings.

Medical School Student and former SA President Raffi Terzian asked why Marriott was charging \$1.19 for a small apple juice. He asked Director of Auxiliary Services Julius Green if there was any possibility of replacing Marriott as GW food service provider. Green said all options are open.

Terzian's remarks sparked a debate with those who found Marriott's service affordable and efficient.

Junior Dana Hollish asked Chernak why GW students pay \$400 more than Georgetown University students for Marriott's food service and why paper plates are no longer available.

Some students expressed dissatisfaction with the University's devotion to style over substance. While students admitted to liking the extensive renovations to George's and the GW Bookstore, some said the monies would have been better spent in other areas.

Chernak said the University did not pay for these renovations as they were funded by Marriott Food Service and Follett College Stores, Inc., respectively.

Engineering students complained that their out-of-date equipment must have been stolen from the Nazis.

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UDC students protest administrative actions

by Philip Clouse
Hatchet Reporter

Several hundred University of the District of Columbia students barricaded themselves in two administration buildings at the University's Van Ness campus yesterday afternoon, demanding changes in the present administration.

Yesterday's action followed two days of student attempts to meet with the UDC Board of Trustees. As a result of the protest, classes will not be held today, according to UDC Interim President Miles Mark Fisher IV.

Among other dissatisfactions, students protested what they called the

University's funding of an "art fiasco" — the purchase of a sculpture and \$1 million renovations to the UDC's Carnegie Library to accommodate the art piece. The sculpture, entitled *The Dinner Party* by Judy Chicago, is a setting of 39 dinner plates, each displaying a female genitalia. The piece is said to depict the history of women.

The students said the *Dinner Party* controversy was only one of the problems they have with the University.

According to today's edition of The Washington Post, other student gripes include a growing discontent with a failing athletic department, the search to replace Rafael L. Cortada — the UDC

president fired earlier this year — and a history of administrative turmoil.

At an informal press conference outside the buildings, Kevin Chavous, an attorney for the protesting students, said their top priority was the resignation of board members. The students also demanded extended library hours, increased communication between the administration and students and overall improved education, he said.

Student protest leader Mark Thompson met with Fisher to discuss the students' demands.

The students were expecting D.C. Mayor Marion Barry to attend the protest; however, Barry did not make an

appearance. Democratic mayoral candidate Sharon Pratt Dixon, local talk show host Ernest White and D.C. Council members Harry Thomas Sr. (D-Ward 5) and Charlene Drew Jarvis (D-Ward 4) were present.

UDC students are disappointed the mayor did not attend, according to Chavous. Barry could have had a strong effect on convincing the board members to resign, he added.

"Everyone else under the sun shows up except the mayor," Chavous said.

Thompson said the students would not back down until all their demands were met. The situation cannot be resolved without the mayor, he added.

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Female med. school enrollment on the rise

by Debbie Solomon

Hatchet Staff Writer

For the first time in history, women enrolled in GW's School of Medicine and Health Sciences outnumber men 81 to 75, according to GW Medical Center News Manager Terry Abdoo.

"Women were obviously the stronger candidates in this year's applicant pool," Abdoo said.

"No special effort was made to recruit women," she said, adding that the University does not need to meet a specific female quota requirement.

Robert Keimowitz, the medical school's dean of academic affairs, said "our quota is to find the best students."

Keimowitz said he sees the effect of higher female enrollment in the medical school as beneficial.

"If women are more compassionate and sensitive as they are stereotyped as being, then they could probably teach some of the male medical students a thing or two," he said. "I think that this increase is good, and that the doctors of the future will be wonderful."

The medical school admitted 10 percent more women this year than last year, although only 40 percent of the total applicants were women, Keimowitz said. He said last year the medical school admitted 68 women and 84 men.

"(Women) just happened to be in the top percent of their class. We didn't go looking for more women, they were just the stronger applicants this year," he

said. "It may be that GW is seen as a more hospitable place for women. Our student body regards the institution as supportive, and more women may have been attracted to that."

"I see this as a positive development, but it should not matter what sex the applicants are. We shouldn't separate ourselves by our gender," he added.

If the current national trend continues, more than 60 percent of all medical students will be female in 10 years, according to Skip Williams, GW's assistant dean for admissions.

This is a definite increase since 1940, when only three or four women graduated from GW's medical school, Keimowitz said. Women were first admitted to GW in 1911 on a provisional basis, he said, and were admitted as full-time students 11 years later.

Prospective students must maintain a 3.3 GPA, have an MCAT score of nine or above and submit letters of evaluation, Keimowitz said.

An interview is conducted for approximately one-fifth of 5,000 applicants, he said, adding that only between 150 and 200 are admitted.

The women enrolled at the medical school come from more than 70 different undergraduate schools, Keimowitz said. In the past, the majority of students have been from the University of California's Los Angeles and Berkeley campuses.

NOMINATIONS REQUESTED

All members of the university community are invited to submit nominations for the commencement speaker and honorary degree recipient(s) for the Winter commencement to be held on Sunday, February 17, 1991. Nominees should be people who have demonstrated, through their lives and through their work, the kind of excellence that the university celebrates.

Nominations containing biographical information for the nominee as well as the name and phone number of the nominator may be submitted by October 3, 1990, to the Office of the University Marshal, Monroe Hall, Suite 302. For further information or answers to questions please call 994-0779.

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EDITORIALS

The battle is yet to come

With every passing moment, the situation in the Persian Gulf grows more dangerous as the crisis tests America's attention span.

The initial shock of the invasion of Kuwait has died. Although coverage of the story remains extensive, people don't seem to acknowledge the severity of the situation.

Hussein is not about to back down and withdraw from Kuwait. Apart from that, however, no one is really certain what Hussein will do, and the possibilities are frightening. But as his country feels the squeeze of the economic embargo, he will have to make a move.

We can't sit eyeball to eyeball with Hussein forever. We must think about the possibility — if not the probability — of a real war with Iraq.

This war will not be like anything we've been through before. Grenada, Vietnam and even World War II don't compare to what *could* happen. It's something worth paying very close attention to.

The situation should be of particular concern to students. Remember selective service? Any day now, students just like us could be called to fight in the Gulf. We had better start asking ourselves the same questions young men asked themselves during the Vietnam era.

Our presence in the Gulf is justified and deserves support. The question is, what now? A pre-emptive strike against Iraq, though tempting, will not solve all our problems.

Our present policy is infinitely preferable to a real war. All options — even negotiation, albeit close to impossible with this madman — need to be exhausted before American soldiers start dying. Any thoughts of a draft, which is certainly possible, should be viewed with caution. It's unlikely that even the most patriotic American will not question whether protecting the Kuwaiti monarchy or a \$20 barrel of oil are worth dying for. We may have to serve — that's our duty as Americans — but the government better have good reasons before sending young Americans to die in the desert.

Although the guns of August are silent now, the battle isn't over by a long shot.

Do the derby thing

It had to happen. The Student Association Funding Board, an organization created to take the politics out of co-sponsorships, has found itself in the eye of a political hurricane.

In its decision not to fund Sigma Chi's Derby Days, the board is endangering a successful and fun-filled tradition, one that was funded by the Program Board from 1987 through 1989.

The new board's reasoning is unfounded. They say they will not use their funds to co-sponsor a charity event, and while the charity might be a good one, donating our students' tuition dollars to that cause is not the business of the SA.

However, while the board is refusing to fund Derby Days, the SA Senate voted to fund Miriam's All-Nighter — another charity event. Why is one branch of the SA funding a charity, while the other cannot? This makes no sense.

On the surface, the Funding Board's policy of refusal to fund charity events is questionable. In addition to the fact that the board and senate are inconsistent in their policies, philanthropic events such as Derby Days offer GW students a chance to help others in need, and are programs more than worthy of the Funding Board's full support.

Derby Days is a textbook example of a successful program. It's a coming together for a common cause. During Derby Days, the Greek community spearheads five days' worth of enjoyable events where students compete and raise money for charity.

All students can participate in the week's events, which is why the PB sponsored this event as well as other charity events such as Alpha Epsilon Pi's basketball tournament and Miriam's All-Nighter.

The recently-implemented Funding Board, with its new rules and new procedures, has stumbled if not fallen in its first attempt to do what the PB has done so well for so long.

This fiasco is testimony to the absurdity of creating a new Funding Board in the first place. The system wasn't broken, but the SA insisted it needed fixing anyway.

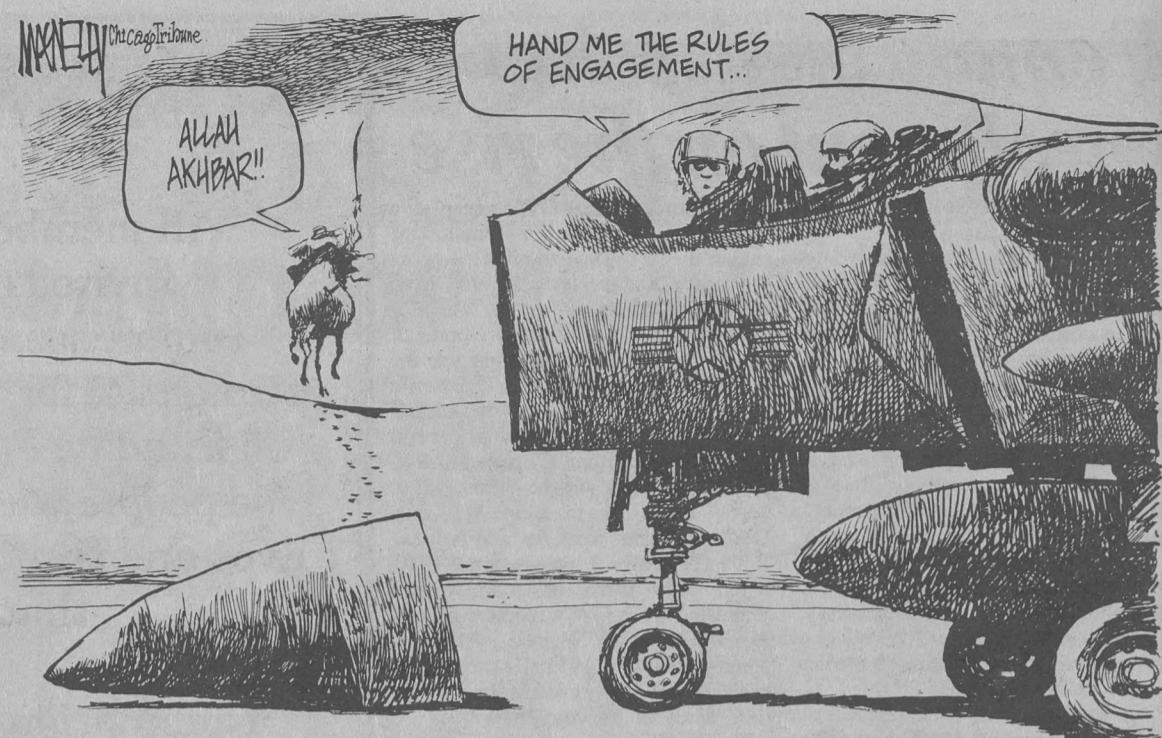
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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Musical genius

I am writing in response to a story in the Sept. 17 impressions section of The GW Hatchet, a review by David Mohan of Prince's new album, *Graffiti Bridge*. Although this may not be as important as the school budget or the whining of different student organizations, the Hatchet did print it and it deserves a response.

I know David and he is a nice guy. However, he made some points in his review that are simply poor judgments based on a dislike for Prince and his music.

First, "Can't Stop This Feeling I Got" sounds nothing like any Kenny Loggins song. Second, saying that Mavis Staples sounds like a female James Brown is ridiculous. She has an excellent gospel voice and can certainly belt out a tune — just listen to "Melody Cool."

I do agree, however, that the music of "The Question of U" does bear a strikingly close resemblance to "Under the Cherry Moon."

The third point that needs to be addressed is David's lack of understanding for Prince, his music and the Minnesota scene. Sheila E., The Time, Jesse Johnson and other well-known musicians, along with little-known groups, such as The Family (who were the first to sing Sinead O'Connor's hit, "Nothing Compares to U," written by Prince), are all part of a sound — an aura — that originated from Minnesota.

Just because someone does not understand something does not mean he should put it down. *Graffiti Bridge* is a great work. There is no question about it. Whether one likes Prince's music is one thing, but as music goes, Prince is a genius and *Graffiti Bridge* is another example of this. Even those who dislike him will usually admit to his talent.

Kudos

The Sept. 20 issue of The GW Hatchet was excellent, particularly the honest and courageous pieces by Jeremy Boby ("A Conservative's view of homosexuals today") and Liz Loomis ("A mental and physical battle I fought with sexism"). Both writers deserve medals for their willingness to examine forms of discrimination deeply embedded in our culture. Both put themselves on the line in their writing. Kudos to them and to you.

-Gregory C. Heller

Take the stairs

Today, boys and girls, I would like to talk about elevator etiquette.

You know who you are out there — the moron who gets on the elevator and takes it up or down one floor. Do you have a conscience or are you totally oblivious to other people's frustrations?

Everybody has a horror story to tell, but they all go something like this: You get on the elevator at the Marvin Center or Gelman Library. It is, of course, packed. But one of the first people to enter the elevator presses the "2" button, ignorant of many wrathful glares. Quickly, you rise up to the second floor, and because this elevator is filled to capacity, everyone must pile out to free the lone idiot in the rear who was too lazy to hike up one flight of stairs.

Then he or she walks away, possibly even with a smug attitude about the fact that a group of people have been delayed.

What will it take for such jerks to get with the program? Perhaps campus security can double as "elevator police," beating the tar out of violators with their nightsticks.

If you have some type of physical disability which requires you to take the elevator, I understand. For the 95 percent of the people who do not fall into this category, quit being a sloth and take the stairs.

-Chris Hyland

Good samaritans

On Sept. 18 at about 2:20 p.m., I left the Gelman Library to drive home. I somehow failed to navigate the first step to the sidewalk and lost my balance. As I tried to regain it, I fell flat on my face. My nose and left knee took most of the impact, which broke the clasp of the clip-on dark glasses I was wearing and left my nose somewhat the worse for wear.

As I turned over and tried to sit up, a foreign student and a small coed came to my rescue. They helped me get up and steered me for walking. The young lady left when she saw that I could walk, but the young man from Pakistan insisted on going with me to the parking lot, and held my arm the whole way.

Since I did not get the students' names, I take this opportunity to thank them publicly for being such good samaritans. Practical kindness can still be found on the GW campus.

-John F. Latemk

-Professor Emeritus of classics

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OPINION

Don't get fooled by de Klerk and the 'new' South Africa

With all that is taking place in the Persian Gulf, the changes in South Africa have fallen by the wayside. The situation there, however, is almost worse than apartheid itself.

In August, I had the opportunity to see for myself what the situation was like. I've been interning for Rep. Jim McDermott (D-Wash.) for almost a year, so when he announced his trip to Africa in August, I asked him to let me be part of the delegation. We spent some time in Zambia and Zaire, as well as South Africa, looking at the AIDS situation — the main purpose of the trip. Looking at AIDS in Africa was interesting, but for me, seeing the conditions in South Africa had the greatest impact.

No matter how prepared you think you are, unless you've been exposed to the Third World before, you can't help but be overcome with the enormity of the situation. It's not just the horrible living conditions of the black South Africans, it's that the white South Africans live like kings in comparison. South Africa is second only to the United States in the number of swimming pools per capita, but if you happen to be a black South African, you're lucky to have running water and an outhouse nearby.

The white South Africans live in homes comparable to any upper middle class homes in the United States. The blacks live in conditions worse than any ghetto here.

Part of our agenda was to meet with members of South African President Frederik de Klerk's cabinet and the

African National Congress to get their views on the AIDS epidemic. However, we got much more than information on AIDS. The night we arrived in Cape-town, we attended an embassy briefing about what had happened there recently. The man who handles security for the embassy tried to dissuade us from visiting the black townships and warned us that if we insisted on going, the embassy would not guarantee our safety. He said that if we ran into any violence, the drivers would quite likely leave the vehicles and the police would probably not be able to get to us. We voted and decided to go anyway.

The next day we had a breakfast meeting before going to the townships with the ANC Minister of Health. Dr. Tshabalala is a black South African doctor, educated in Moscow, who just returned after 30 years in exile. Halfway through the meeting, she got a phone call telling her that her cousin — another prominent ANC member — had just been stabbed to death in the township we were going to. After taking her home, we set out to see for ourselves what things were like. The drivers kept us out of the worst areas, but what we did see was horrifying enough.

Driving into the township, we saw children playing in ponds of water, trash and sewage. Not more than 30 feet away was the beginning of the shanty town. The government stopped building houses a long time ago, so people are forced to live in aluminum shacks. They are a lot like big dumpsters, only dumpsters are a little bigger and much sturdier. Inside, they're remarkably clean. Usually the only appliance is a coal

stove, which explains the cloud of soot that hangs in and above the township. And if they're lucky, a family of seven may have a bed, but most likely, they just sleep on blankets.

These large families are one of the biggest obstacles to AIDS prevention,

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Hannelore Schmidt

next to the fact that promiscuity is acceptable. Children are a very important part of the African culture. When a couple gets married, they are expected to immediately start producing children. If they are unable to, the whole society treats them like failures. How, then, can you convince young couples that they

have to use a condom? Because of past experience, many think AIDS is a trick to make the blacks stop reproducing. Most of them have never known anyone who died of AIDS.

and needs to get to the hospital, the first step would be to find a way to get to the hospital. The hospitals are all miles away and the ambulances don't service the townships. They won't admit it, they just won't show up.

After getting there, the hospital has to find a bed. If you're black, beds are usually pretty hard to come by. If you do get a bed, chances are that the doctor you need will probably be on vacation, and no one is taking his place. On the off chance that you get to see a doctor, you then have to find a way to pay for it. This is very difficult, since the cost of medicine is as high in South Africa as it is in the United States.

Another problem is the role of women in South African society. Women are most easily educated about AIDS, but they have very little influence or power. If a woman even brings up sex to her husband, he is very likely to beat her. She cannot refuse to sleep with him, and she cannot tell him to use a condom. In certain cultures, it is even forbidden for a woman to touch her husband's "private parts." How do you deal with these fundamental obstacles?

Under President de Klerk, there have been many positive changes, or so it seems to the outside world. He just recently opened universities and hospitals to people of every color. At first glance this looks like a big improvement, but when you talk to people there, you learn that it is completely symbolic.

Black students have to pass the same entrance requirements as their white counterparts, although they have had limited education if any. Most black families can't afford to buy the books and uniforms necessary to attend even the township schools, which offer education inferior to the white schools. And even if a university did accept a black student, where would the money come from? South Africa doesn't have a Bill Cosby promoting the United Negro College Fund.

Hospitals are the same way, only worse. If a black woman goes into labor

The worst effect of the de Klerk changes is all the violence that has been taking place in the past month. Since Mandela declared that the ANC would use nonviolent methods of protest, de Klerk has been using his influence with Inkatha (the Zulu group who is also fighting the government, although they're accepting support from them) to create chaos. The black police force in South Africa is primarily made up of Inkatha members. De Klerk uses them to initiate the attacks taking place in the townships, and then stands back and refuses to negotiate with the ANC until the violence ends.

De Klerk is not the answer to apartheid. He's just doing what he can to get South Africa back in the good graces of the world and have the sanctions lifted. Don't be fooled — he's not the next Gorby.

Hannelore Schmidt is a sophomore majoring in international affairs.

Questioning Greek glory

As a skeptic of GW's Greek system, I was unsure whether or not to agree with Ross Misher's letter in the Sept. 17 edition of The GW Hatchet ("Choking Us").

Misher exposes the shallowness of "wet" rush by saying, "This year, with dry rush and a potential ban of the little sister program, I found many students would rather go to the Exchange than check out . . . fraternity life." However, the letter later states, "Why does this campus insist on putting a noose on Greek life? It's one of the few bright spots left on campus."

Perhaps Misher can explain why bringing more decency and less alcohol to GW Greeks is to be condemned. Those who will not attend dry rush are shallow and, one would think, do not display the kind of image the Interfraternity Council wants to cultivate.

Dry rush will dispel some of the "Animal House" mentality often associated with fraternities by eliminating alcohol parties as a fraternity's chief attraction.

The debated ban of little sister programs has nothing to do with "putting a noose" around the fraternities — this is just one of the many activities they provide. One only has to look as far as the Sept. 17 Hatchet for examples: the "IFC Supports Monkey Program for Disabled" was on the front page and Alex Panagides' column on page six pointed out that Delta Tau Delta raised

more than \$1,000 for three different charities last year.

Misher questions the University and the competence of the IFC by asking, "Why is the University putting pressure on the IFC to strangle fraternities?" Without providing any evidence, Misher chalks up another plot to the nefarious "University Conspiracy Department," a convenient scapegoat to say the least.

Why would the IFC "continually condemn fraternities?" Is the IFC not a body made up of fraternities?

I sincerely hope Misher meant to

Jim Holton

betray his own ignorance by saying Greek life is one of the few bright spots left on campus. He has either missed out on his entire education at GW or else has never left his fraternity house during his years at this school.

I have done some research on GW's Greek life, and though I am cynical of its present purpose, I know it has had better days and do not begrudge its attempts to recapture that glory.

Jim Holton is a junior majoring in international affairs.

Memo to feminists: change tactics or be prepared to lose your battles

Susan B. Anthony must be rolling in her grave. Feminists across the country, represented by the National Organization for Women, are outraged over David Souter. Feminists on campus, represented by Students United to Women's Issues Now, are outraged over fraternity posters with scantily clad women publicizing rush parties.

I have never seen two organizations take such a positive progressive agenda as women's rights and screw it up so badly.

NOW's handling of the Souter nomination is the most inept example of feminism gone haywire. Here we have a Supreme Court Justice (given the fact that he will sail past the Senate) who is going to weaken, if not overturn, *Roe v. Wade* quicker than you can say John Sununu.

Over the summer, NOW, the National Abortion Rights Action League and Planned Parenthood could have been building a grassroots coalition to oppose Souter, just as they had masterfully done to defeat Robert Bork. Here's what happened.

Instead of Souter being labeled an

extremist, as Bork was, the feminist community is being labeled. In the confirmation hearings, the abortion rights groups flopped and left no one convinced that David Souter would endanger privacy.

The case against Souter could have been salvaged. In confirmation hearings he did not say *Roe*, which

Tony Palermo

has been around since 1973, set a strong precedent. He even questioned *Griswold v. Connecticut*, which gives unmarried couples the right to use birth control. Souter says he has no agenda, but based on the hearing, it is no great leap of faith to assume Souter shares George Bush's views, which are openly hostile to abortion rights, civil rights, privacy rights and free speech. Souter's opposition blew its opportunity to make this case.

Closer to home are Students United to WIN. Every time I turn around I'm getting a letter either from WIN or the Greeks bearing posters. Though I appreciate the letters, it has gotten a little silly, and readers are starting to get annoyed at both sides.

Fraternity posters should be about 812th on the feminist agenda. Yes, they are silly and promote unhealthy ideas. But give it up. Women still earn 61 cents for every dollar a man earns. A woman is still being raped every nine minutes. And a woman growing up in the 1990s may not have the protection of *Roe* to protect her reproductive rights from the state. If that's not enough to keep one occupied, I don't know what is.

Women lose when NOW looks bad and Judge Souter looks good. And women lose when the hottest issue on campus is a Sigma Nu poster. But the real losers in the end are the women these organizations claim to represent.

Tony Palermo is the editorials editor of The GW Hatchet.

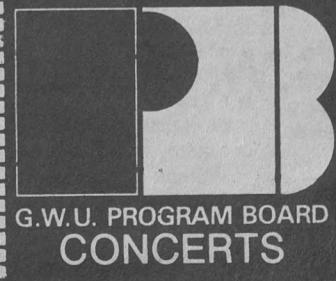
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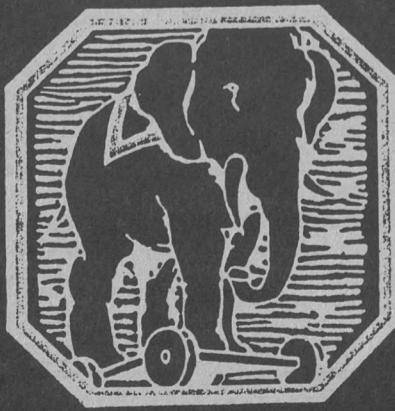
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Panelists discuss media coverage of the Mid-East crisis

by Wayne Milstead
Hatchet Staff Writer

Television and print reporters are neither sensationalizing nor exacerbating the Iraq-Kuwait crisis, members of the media told close to 100 people in the Marvin Center Monday night.

"Since (the crisis) began, the American media has been accused of being either warmonger for President Bush or pawn for Saddam Hussein," said Jan Ziff, State Department correspondent for the British Broadcasting Company.

Ziff, who moderated the discussion — sponsored by the Washington and GW chapters of the Society of Professional Journalists — offered some examples of headlines she said could be considered hype. Among those was a *Newsweek* magazine story which called Hussein a "bully" and a "monster."

Frank Aukofer of the Milwaukee Journal said, "It's always a recurring kind of thing where you hear people who want us to be more than what we are. The only time that I can remember in history when a newspaper was supposed to have started a war was the Spanish-American War."

"When you say that the media is hyping the war and getting war fever up, it sort of pre-supposes Saddam Hussein is sitting there and somebody says, 'Saddam, did you hear what they said about you on CNN tonight? They called you a bully.'"

"A bully?" he answers. "Well, we'll shoot a few chemical weapons in there and show them' . . . (world leaders) don't make decisions based on news stories," Aukofer said.

Journalists are storytellers, he said, and although they may "help form

public opinion, public opinion is often formed without the press."

Pete Williams, press spokesman for Defense Secretary Dick Cheney and a former journalist, said he would "artfully dodge the question" of media hype.

"I am somewhat reluctant . . . to criticize my former colleagues in the press and simply say there has been an extraordinary interest in (the crisis), and whatever you have seen so far is nothing compared to what you are going to see if actual hostilities break out," he said.

Williams cited examples of journalists covering the crisis who are using good judgment, including a photographer who decided not to use a photograph that would have revealed the location of a hangar housing U.S. troops.

"In Washington, reporters have a tendency to be highly combative and skeptical," he said. "They are a different kind of critter in Washington than when they're covering troops."

Jay Peterzell of *Time* said the media's presence is not aggravating the Gulf situation. Peterzell recently returned from Saudi Arabia where he participated in a Defense Department "pool" — a small press group organized by the government.

"The press pool worked very well," Peterzell said, "both from the aspect of the Pentagon and the press. We covered basically what was there to be seen."

He said the pool members could not report the numbers or locations of weapons and troops, and had to submit their stories to be read by a military representative.



Jay Peterzell, Frank Aukofer, Jan Ziff, Pete Williams and Ghassan Bisharra (l. to r.)

photo by Sarah Biondi

"They handled the censorship in the most sophisticated way," Peterzell said.

Aukofer, also a member of the pool, said, "We would have got squat if we were on our own. With the pool, we had access."

"We gave up the right to report numbers and the names of the kids. If you bucking up against something as tight as the military, you're going to have a tough time getting something," he said.

Williams said his job is to facilitate access. "It's very difficult, for example, for a reporter to simply show up on an aircraft carrier," he said. "We have to set up trips."

The press pool was dissolved after journalists began arriving on their own and realized they were going to be allowed to stay, he said.

"It was up to the Saudis whether or not to invite U.S. troops and we made the point in the beginning that when you ask for America's army, you get America's army," Williams said. "You get the men and women that are in it, you get the mail that comes with it, the newspapers that get sent to it and you get the reporters that traditionally tag along with it."

"It took a few days for (the Saudis) to accommodate this and one way to accommodate it was to use the pool," he said.

Ghassan Bisharra, Washington correspondent for the Middle East newspaper *Al-Fajr*, said those in the audience should appreciate the amount of free press in the United States.

"The freedom of press here is a gift that Americans should really fight for.

... I wish that when the troops and the press leave, (they leave) a fraction of the freedom of the press that the Americans enjoy," Bisharra said.

Responding to a statement from an audience member that the press was not covering the opposition, Ziff said she purposely had been looking for opposition but could not find any. She attributed this to Congress' adjournment during the first two weeks of the crisis.

"Crank up a protest and we'll be there. It is not the role of the press to 'gratuitously criticize,'" Aukofer said.

The panel also discussed the problem of American journalists covering a culture they don't understand. "It's a hindrance," Bisharra said. "If I didn't know English and understand the (United States), I couldn't do my job."

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Sciences and ESIA are the only two who presently have a peer advising program, he said.

"I would like to see a push for this resolution for the benefit of the students and with the help of the senators from all of the schools, we could have the resolution take effect by next semester," Chick said.

Chick said he acknowledges that certain deficiencies do exist in GW advising and this program would be a tremendous boost to its image.

The senate also passed a motion to "vacate without prejudice Undergraduate At-Large Senator D.J. Saluja's seat since he has not returned to GW for the fall semester." According to Chick, it is rumored that Saluja is still in India and will possibly return next semester.

Chick said applications are now being accepted for the two freshmen senate seats and the two vacant first-year graduate seats. When these seats are filled, a reorganization of the senate committees may take place, he said.

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Memo outlines GW policy for reservists

by Alec Zaccari

Asst. News Editor

GW student reservists who must interrupt their studies to serve in the Persian Gulf will receive a full refund of all tuition and fees, according to a memo circulated earlier this month by Vice President for Academic Affairs Roderick S. French.

"Any student for the fall semester who has been activated or who is called to active duty early in the semester automatically will be entitled to a full refund of all tuition and fees that he or she has paid toward the expense of this semester," according to the memo.

"If the notification of the call to active duty comes after midterm exams or after other substantial graded work has been completed, the student will have the option of either taking a full refund of tuition and fees or taking an incomplete in his or her courses with the privilege of returning to complete all required course work at some future date without payment of any further tuition and fee charges," the memo stated.

French said he was not aware of any students called for military duty, but added that a small number of faculty have been called. The purpose of the memo was to avoid confusion that might come up if no plan were installed, he said.

"There's always a lot of anxiety (involved in such matters)," French said. "It's better to have a stated policy in advance."

The decision whether or not to take a refund is "a judgment call on (the student's) part, depending on how far along they are," French said. The

University, however, has no refund policy as of yet regarding students who have been called to active duty, choose to take an incomplete and then are unable to complete it due to death or injury overseas.

"Like you, I haven't thought of that," French said, adding that he speculated the families of any killed probably would not be concerned with chasing down a refund. "We would deal with that as it arose," he said.

Commander Jim Carter of the GW Naval Science Department said GW students affected by President Bush's decision to call up the reserves will be those presently attached to an active duty group and are taking courses part-time at GW, or those who have completed their active duty requirement and are fulfilling their reserve duty requirement.

Carter said the naval reserve program requires that participants serve five years active duty and three years reserve duty. The Army holds similar requirements, he said.

"I can tell you that none of our (NROTC) students were called," Carter said.

Middle East expert and GW Political Science Department Chair Bernard Reich said he does not believe the amount of reservists called to duty in Saudi Arabia will grow.

"The numbers are not going to increase dramatically," he said, adding relatively few reservists have been mobilized for combat duty. Those who have been called have primarily been involved in special units, Reich said.

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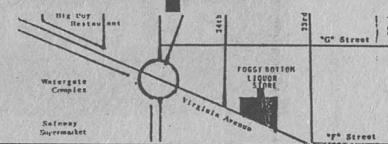
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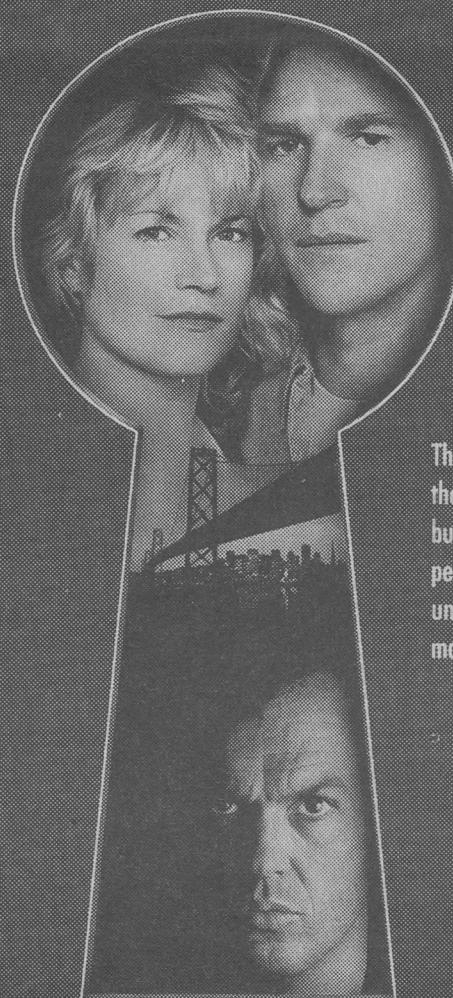
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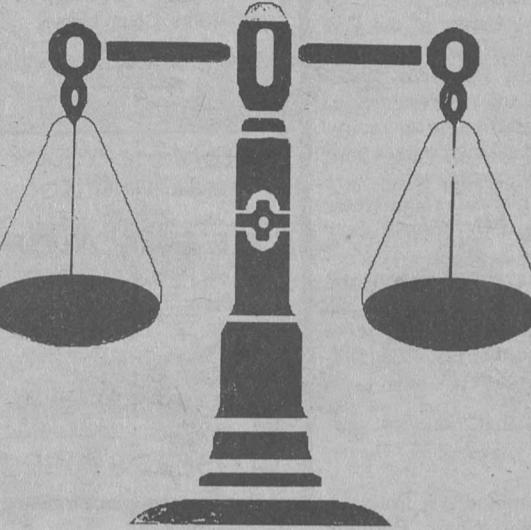
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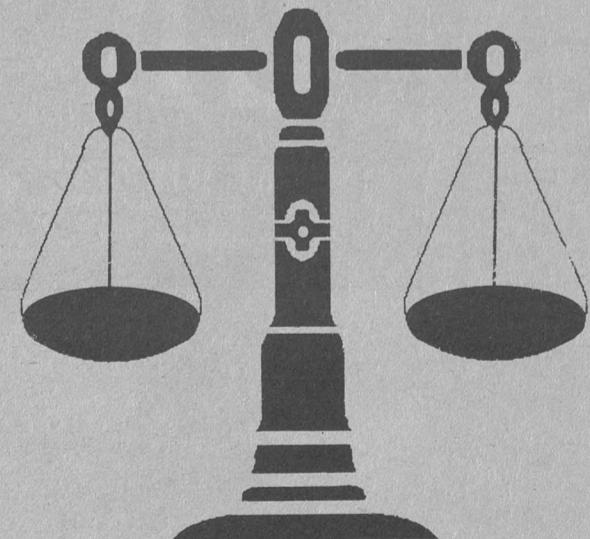
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"We are fearing for our lives," one student said. "If there is no engineering school (in the future), then our degrees are useless."

The general lack of informed academic advisors was also criticized. Students said faculty advisors, while knowledgeable about their own departments, are usually little help with general requirement questions or questions about other departments.

Senior Jennifer Funke offered to give up the \$35 for her engraved graduation brick towards attaining competent and available full-time academic advisors.

Sophomore Maria Proestou said there is no academic advising for students in her situation, who wish to graduate in three years.

Another student said there is no academic advisor for the Elliott School of International Affairs because the advisor quit has not been replaced.

Chernak said he was pleased with the evening. "It was less negative than I expected. There wasn't any unsubstantiated griping — the problems were documented and realistic," he said.

Chernak said he took seven pages of notes and was intent on investigating the problems brought to his attention. "I think it's a good beginning," he said. "The conversation was sophisticated. People came in expecting to be heard, and voiced their complaints. Now, I have an obligation to follow up on these issues."

Petramale said he was pleased with the meeting. "A forum like this affords students a chance to communicate with administrators and offers the administrators a chance to hear what the students have to say. This evening there was a good mix of comments, accompanied by constructive criticism. I think we'll act on those positive suggestions," he added.

Petramale said the SA hopes to hold this type of meeting frequently, focusing on specific issues. Chernak said he also planned "to continue this initiative."

-Executive Editor David Weber contributed to this article.

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GW, Israeli school to exchange students

by Karmela Lejarde
Hatchet Staff Writer

A five-year agreement for academic exchange and cooperation has been established between GW and Ben-Gurion University in Israel, GW President Stephen Joel Trachtenberg announced yesterday at a Marvin Center reception.

Avishay Braverman, newly appointed president of Ben-Gurion University, said at the event — attended by approximately 100 administrators, faculty and students — he was "deeply honored that (GW) and Ben-Gurion University, both named after the visionary founding fathers of their countries, are now linked in a program to share knowledge and research."

Trachtenberg said GW is looking at possible student and faculty exchanges with Ben-Gurion.

"But first, we have to give time for Dr. Braverman to return, get inaugurated and get organized, which may take a few years."

The reception marked Braverman's first official act as president of Ben-Gurion University. He formerly served as division chief of agricultural policies at the World Bank, according to a University Relations press release.

Under the exchange agreement, students with a strong academic standing and a serious interest in studying

abroad will be selected to participate in the program, the press release said. Faculty members may be invited to serve as visiting professors for six weeks to one academic year to lecture and conduct research.

Postgraduate physicians from Ben-Gurion may apply to study at the GW Medical Center for up to two years, Trachtenberg said. GW Health Services administrators may also apply for internships or residency at Ben-Gurion for three months to one year, according to the press release.

The two presidents exchanged gifts of appreciation after signing the agreement. Trachtenberg presented Braverman with a GW lapel pin and a paperweight bust of George Washington, and Braverman gave Trachtenberg a Ben-Gurion University lapel pin and a painting of David Ben-Gurion with his original signature.

Students from the GW Palestine Club attended the ceremony, demanding a similar exchange program for the occupied territories.

"We are not against this agreement," said Palestine Club member Ghassan Haider. "What we want is a (similar) exchange agreement between GW and the universities in Gaza."

Haider said the club will present a proposal to Trachtenberg within the week.

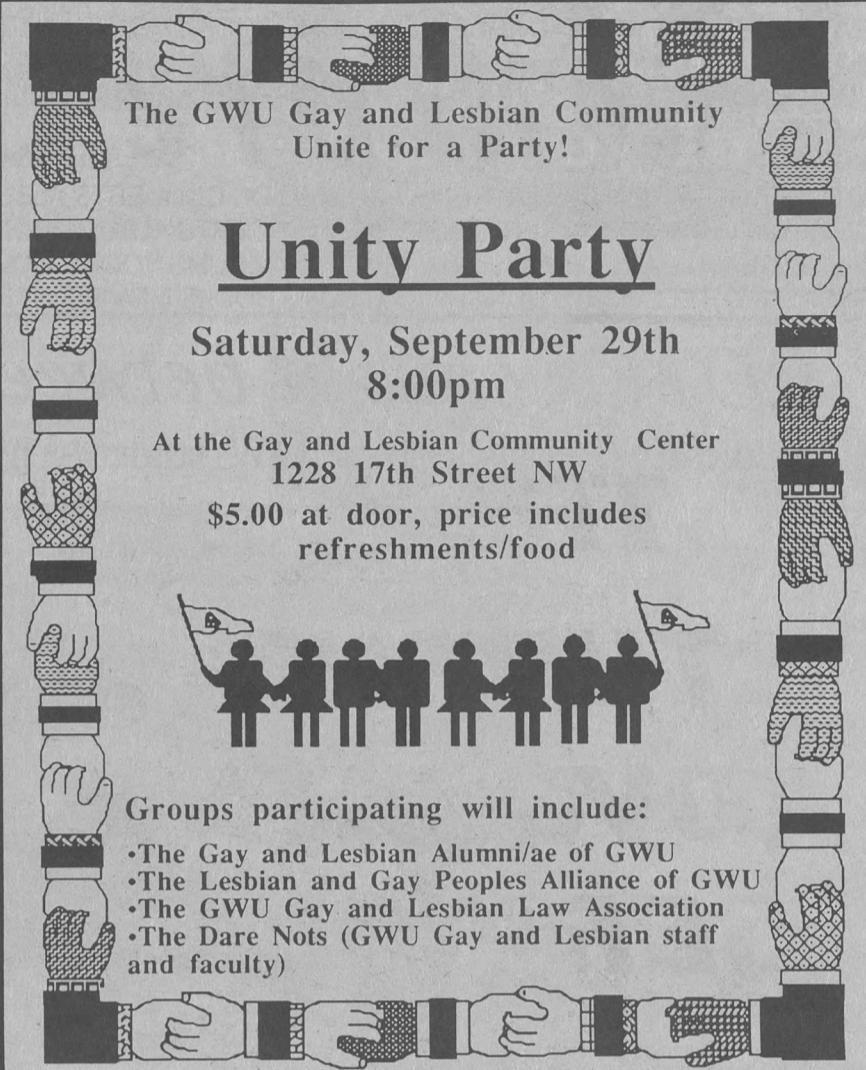
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If you pay close attention, *Miller's Crossing* could teach you a lot

by Jeff Goldfarb

Strong is weak. Deep is shallow. Complex is simple.

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Of course not. You haven't had the pleasure of seeing what is one of the most gripping, emotionally stirring movies released in the last decade.

Miller's Crossing slaps you in the face with realizations of man's vulnerability with the overt power of hearing that a friend you graduated high school with died, and the subtlety of knowing something's wrong just by the sound of someone's voice.

The Coen brothers, Joel and Ethan, whose movies include *Blood Simple* and *Raising Arizona*, wrote, directed and produced *Miller's Crossing*, a gangster tale about "friendship, character and ethics," as Johnny Caspar — portrayed by Jon Polito — says during the film's grabbing, abrupt beginning.

Leo (Albert Finney), Bernie Bernbaum (John Turturro) and Caspar — the three top crime lords of the movie's unnamed city (although the movie was filmed in New Orleans) — engage in battles of wit and brute force for supreme control. Leo and Caspar have their respective right-hand men who significantly influence their decisions, while Bernbaum, the loner, works as a scapegoat for the two stronger villains.

The focus of *Miller's Crossing*, though, is on Tom Reagan (Gabriel

Byrne), Leo's number-one accomplice. Tom, however, gets involved with Leo's girl, Verna, and consequently Leo and Tom end their "working relationship." Tom, now independent, induces a cataclysm of manipulations and double crosses among all members of the crime wave, including the crooked mayor and police force.

Common to gangster/mob movies is the near unavoidable confusion of characters and the question of who sides with whom. *Miller's Crossing*, however, does an unusually good job with this, keeping affiliations clear. Along the same lines, the Coens sensationalize their main characters. Though no hateful wishing comes up for anyone to die and no heart-wrenching anxiety arises when they do die, a definite concern exists for the Coens' characters. An unusual relationship is established with these people — a terse, shock-wave concern like the one for poetic personae rather than the goose-pimple intimacy established with a novel's characters.

One potent scene well represents the heart of the whole movie. Tom has been told to kill Bernbaum, and takes him out to the middle of the woods — *Miller's Crossing*, in fact — to do the deed. Bernbaum, with Tom's gun pointing at his head, grovels and cries out to his to-be-killer, "Jesus, Tom. You're not a killer; look in your heart." The imagery

emotional pangs, dialogue, scenery and music create such a vivid scope into the essence of man that the scene overwhelms the mind and weakens the soul.

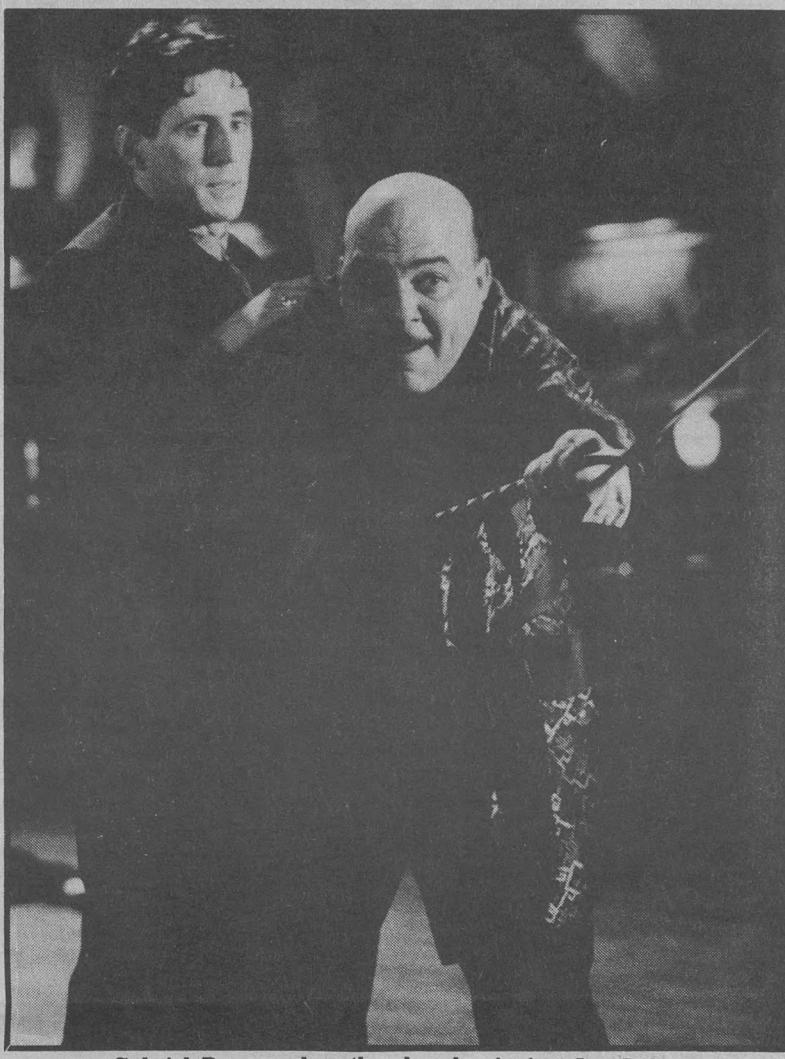
Miller's Crossing is filled with such images of glass-shard sharpness. The situations — the whole idea — of individual segments, and not so much the characters themselves, fortify this motion picture. *Miller's Crossing* thrives on imagery.

Both easily-recognizable and enigmatic symbolism encompass the film's intensity. One obscure yet prominent image is that of the hat. It shows up again and again. The movie's promo shows a hat blowing through the woods (which turns out to be a dream Tom has); people keep punching Tom and knocking his hat off and then picking it up and giving it back to him and nearly every male character in the movie sports a fedora or a bowler or some sort of chapeau.

Miller's Crossing hits home with many innuendoes about peoples' nature — about what makes us tick. It simply all can't be absorbed in one viewing, either. Much of the sharp-witted dialogue and lightly-exposed themes cannot be diagnosed right away — the same way a good book's points require discussion and multiple readings.

One thing is clear. *Miller's Crossing* is relentless. Clarity is obscure.

Overall grade: A



Gabriel Byrne calms the shovel-swinging Jon Polito.

Yee haa! Pylon returns to 9:30 Club with cool music in tow

by Ali Sacash

Bands come and go. Some bands surface just for one hit record before disappearing into the racks of a radio station library. Others, such as those heinous rock acts of decades past, keep hanging on, trying to be hip while they pump the Geritol. There are also bands which become immensely popular, so much that you have to camp out for tickets in subfreezing temperatures, and you are still in the upper levels of a smoky coliseum.

Only a small fraction of bands do it the cool way. They make their music for a while, steadily gaining underground cult status. Just before breaking into the big time, they drop out of the scene — conveniently, convincingly. Only their true fans remain, pawing through used record stores for copies of the old albums. The others have gone on to discover more recent rock acts. The chances that these few bands will get back into the music business is slim at best. But, oh, when they do, there is cause for great rejoice.

Here's your chance, you fans of the late, great Pylon. Yes, Pylon band members — singer Vanessa Briscoe Hay, Randy Bewley on guitar, Michael Lachowski on bass and drummer Curtis Crowe — have awoken from their sabbatical in the sleepy Southern music-mecca of Athens, Ga.

Pylon's back. Actually, they've been back since 1988, when the members began discussing a regrouping of the band. For those of you who never had the pleasure of experiencing the light and freaky sounds of Pylon, I'll explain...

Back in 1979, Pylon was the brainchild of four University of Georgia art students who needed a new creative outlet. At that time Athens was virtually unknown in the world of big music business. The individualistic and ingenious sounds Pylon (and friends B-52s and R.E.M.) created garnered the attention of both the local music fans and the press, a welcome change from the corporate rock trend of that time.

The creative outlet eventually became a full-time passion and profession. Pylon went on to record albums (*Chomp* and *Gyrate*), tour extensively and release many singles, including the hit "Crazy," which achieved national exposure when R.E.M. covered it on the 1987 release of *Dead Letter Office*.

The taxing life of musicians, however, was

was the manager of a Kinkos copy center. The band members also got married and had children. They all stayed in Athens, content with living life in the normal lane until they started kicking around the idea of re-forming the band.

"R.E.M. came and told Curtis that 'If y'all want to get together, you can use our studio,'" Briscoe Hay said. "One night we just went in and set up.



getting too confusing for the members of Pylon, and in 1984, they disbanded.

"Ya know, we're not business-oriented," Briscoe Hay sighed in a light Southern accent during an interview. "We were getting real popular and then the music business turned us off. And we were saying, 'This isn't fun anymore.' Besides, I have to have a stable life to be creative." So, they quit and got jobs in the real world. Briscoe Hay

had to clean up our instruments a lot and relearn some of the old songs. Then one night we just decided to play at the 40 Watt Club. We were so scared, but it's a good thing that, I think, we only had about an hour to get nervous. And we called all our friends and played a show. It's like a fairytale."

Pylon was back on track when its 20-song compilation *Hits* was released in 1989. Now, the

band, with its new album *Chain*, is winding its way to a venue near you. "It's still the same old Pylon," she said of the new release. "We did some great work with (producer) Gary Smith. The music's still intense, but more melodic. If you liked us before, then you'll still like us."

When asked to describe Pylon's music (which can never seem to be described in print), Briscoe Hay laughed. "Once the guys were sitting around trying to figure out what our music was like and they came up with 'Our music is round with textured holes.' Oh really?"

"In a way, I guess that's true," she continued. "It's this kind of minimalistic rock, but it doesn't really sound like, you know, the traditional rock music. It's fun stuff."

Pylon's not making any mistakes this time around as it has hired a business staff to take care of all the details the band members couldn't, and didn't, want to deal with before. And they are keeping a focused perspective on the future.

"Right now, I'm really, really happy," Briscoe Hay said. "I'm a mom (she has a 3-year-old daughter, Hannah) and I'm in the band. That's all I'm thinking about now."

You can't help but wonder, nonetheless, what would've happened to a band like Pylon if they had not broken up. Briscoe Hay has her own theories. "You can't predict the past, 'cause a lot of that is romanticism. We quit while we were at the top. Who knows what would've happened."

Well, I certainly know what will happen if you miss Pylon tomorrow, that's right tomorrow night at the 9:30 Club — you'll regret it for some time to come. A place such as the 9:30 Club was made for bands like Pylon. But, hey, don't get there too early because I want a place up front.

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Speaker discusses community service organization

by Debbie Solomon

Hatchet Staff Writer

In order for the Points of Light Foundation — a community service organization set up by President Bush — to succeed in solving serious social problems, there must be an increase in community service activity in the United States, Ingrid Hekman of the White House's Office of National Service told a small group of students Tuesday night in Funger Hall.

"The nation must ... build on distinctive competence and increase collaboration," Hekman said at the event sponsored by GW's College Republicans. The Points of Light Initia-

tives, developed in November of 1989, will "mitigate fundamental constraints by entering into working partnerships with other organizations seeking to have a nationwide impact," she said.

The Foundation has goals in several areas of service, Hekman said.

Through media leadership, the group intends to "... weave the theme of community service activity, build on distinctive competence and increase collaboration" among Americans, she said.

Group, business and organization initiatives will make use of one-on-one

teaching methods to enable business leaders to spread their knowledge throughout institutions at every level, Hekman said.

The Youth Engaged in Service program, she said, will include people between the ages of five and 25 participating in community service projects. One third grade class is already calling and forming friendships with elderly people in a nursing home, she said.

Local Points of Light Networks provide a clearinghouse for information for people who want to get involved in their community, Hekman said. Bill

Aramony, president of United Way of America and a board member of the Points of Light Foundation, is involved with this service, she said.

SERVLINK is a technology-oriented project that aims to educate people about community service through telephone hotlines, interactive computer systems, electronic bulletin boards, billboards, inserts to and addenda with credit cards, telephone and utility bills, ATM receipts, brochures and videos, Hekman said.

The Foundation's international program will approach social problems

Professional involvement is already well underway with more than 20 board members, including the head of International Business Machines Corp., she added.

"GW College Republicans applaud President Bush's emphasis on National and Community Service. I hope that through the Points of Light Foundation that the ideals of community service can become a reality," CR chair Chris Tipping said.



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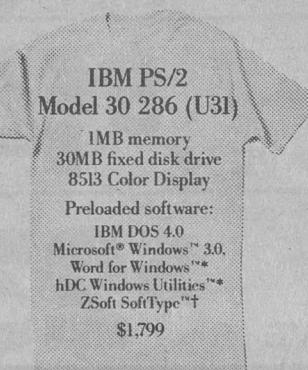
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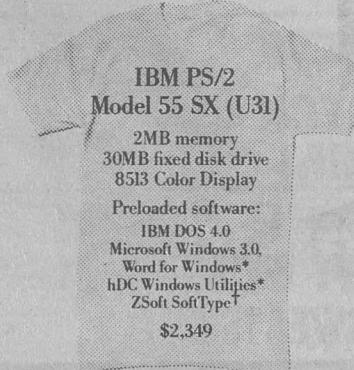
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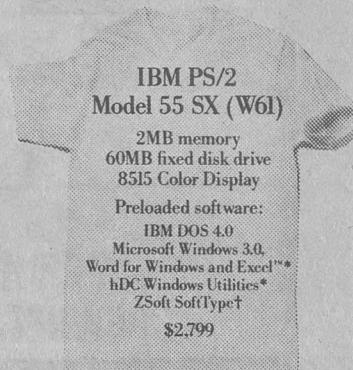
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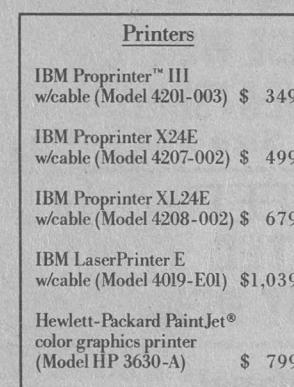
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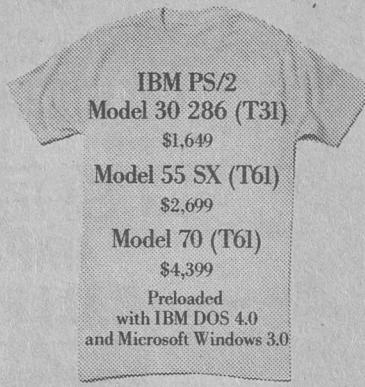
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Speakers considered for 1991 graduation

GW is accepting nominations for a February commencement speaker and honorary degree recipient, according to University Marshall Jill Kasle.

Kasle said the selection process for honorary degree recipients is open to the University community.

In the past, the Faculty Senate took recommendations for graduation speakers, Kasle said, but no announcement was made concerning student input.

"Our intention is to make as many people as possible a part of the process," Kasle said. "We want to tap into the creativity of the community."

The list of nominations already received include Rep. Sid Yates (D-Ill.), former presidential press secretary Jim Brady, author Kurt Vonnegut and singer Ella Fitzgerald, she said.

"Intellectual achievement is given a priority, but the field is rather wide open," Kasle said. Also considered are outstanding members of the business, art, science and medical professions, she said.

Kasle said suggestions for February commencement speakers or honorary degree recipients should be sent to: University Marshall, Monroe Hall 302, 2115 G St., Washington D.C., 20052. She said letters should include the name of the nominee with some biographical information, as well as the name and telephone number of the nominator.

All nominations must be received Oct. 3., since the selection process begins Oct. 4, Kasle said.

-Kathleen Whelan

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JFSB addresses complaints with George's

Problems result from decentralization, too many involved in renovation process

by Ginny Garcia
Hatchet Reporter

Problems with the newly redecorated George's are the result of having too many cooks spoil the stew, according to Joint Food Service Board Chair Amy Burkholder.

"The renovation program was very decentralized — too many people were involved," Burkholder said.

The Joint Food Service Board and the Marvin Center Governing Board are currently addressing problems related to the changes in George's.

JFSB Chair Amy Burkholder said she has received some negative responses to the new decor.

"Nobody is as disappointed as me" that George's is unfinished, last year's JFSB Chair Mark Lee said.

Lee was involved with the renovation plans and said he is dissatisfied with the slow progress of the renovation.

"Obviously, George's is not completed even though completion was promised by the first day of school," he said. "Even the new furniture that was ordered has not arrived."

Addressing complaints of a smaller menu, Burkholder said the selection of food is an even exchange of new items for old ones.

"Added to the menu are buffalo wings and mozzarella sticks, gone . . .

are the omelette and bagels," she said. "Although prices were originally guaranteed to be comparable to area restaurants, what you buy this year at George's costs the student two or three dollars more."

Burkholder said she hopes refrigerated items, including last year's selection of bottled drinks, salads and sandwiches, will be brought back. At this time, the bottled drinks are gone because of a lack of space, she said.

"It's kind of weird there's less space after the renovations than there was before, but perhaps that will change when everything has been finished," Burkholder said.

Replacing the big-screen television will be three or four small-screen televisions to create a "sports bar" atmosphere, she said.

Lee said George's new design creates a placement problem for the televisions. "As I understand it, the only reason the TVs haven't been put up is . . . that the mounting brackets have not been ordered," he said.

Both Lee and Burkholder said nothing will change unless students make their opinions known. Lee said if a large enough response is directed to the MCGB, JFSB or GW's Marriott Food Service Director Bill Yaglou, further revisions possibly can be made during winter break.

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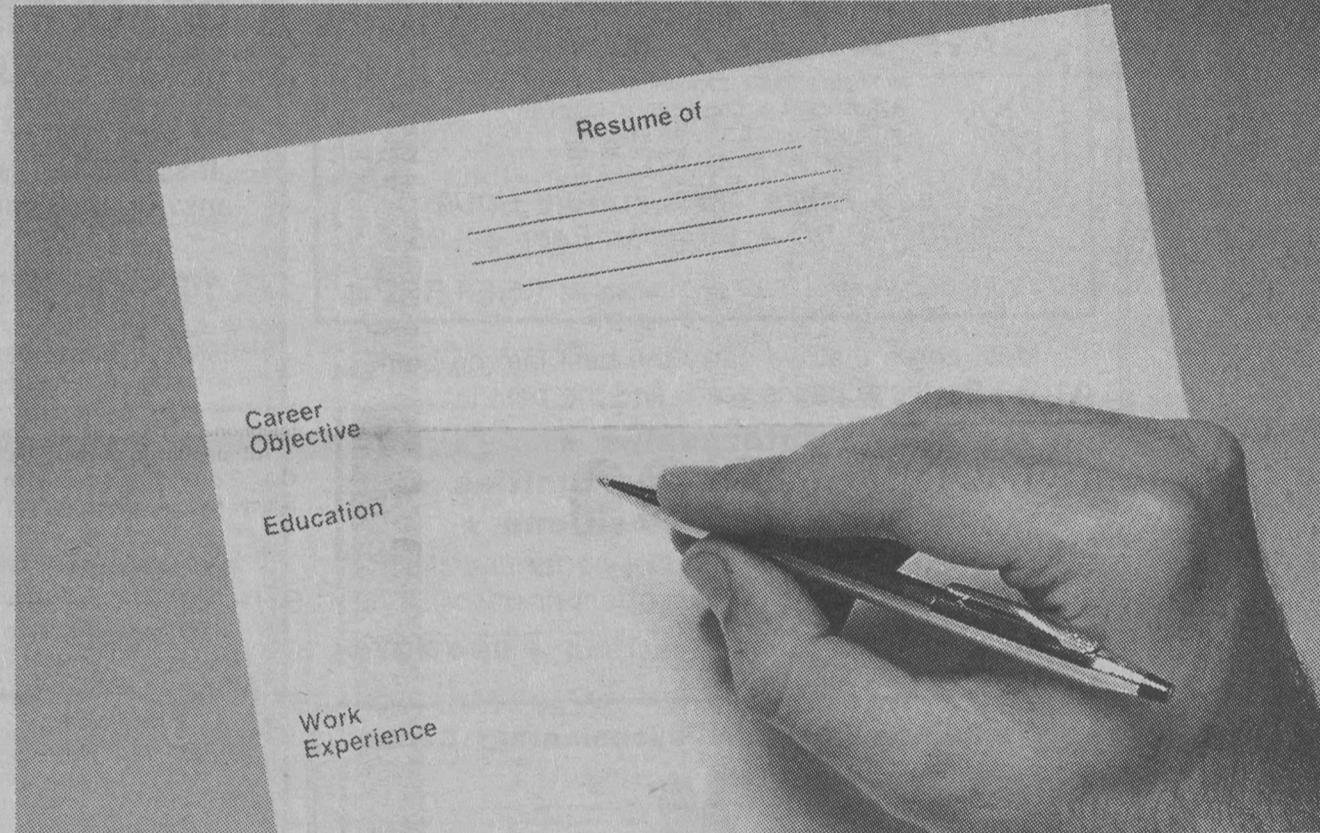
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Rev. Jesse Jackson will address racism Monday, Oct. 1, in the Marvin Center ballroom at 7 p.m. The event is

sponsored by the GW College Democrats, Black People's Union and Progressive Student Union.

American Students for a Safe Israel will meet to discuss the threat of Saddam Hussein and view the films *Israel's Security* and *The PLO Mafia in the USA* in Marvin Center 410, Tuesday, Oct. 2, at 7:30 p.m.

The International Affairs Society is sponsoring a "Brown Bag" lunch, at which Dr. Sergei V. Tagor, Senior Research Fellow in Political Science of the U.S.S.R. Academy of Sciences, will

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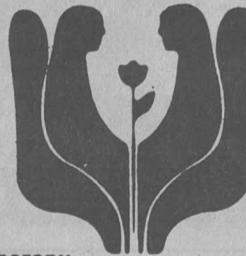
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Former UN official speaks on Mid-East

by Paul Connolly
Hatchet Reporter

Until the Israeli-Palestinian conflict ends and the Middle East resolves key differences, the region will remain unstable and prone to war, Bernard Mills, former director of the United Nations Relief and Works Association, said Tuesday night.

Peace in the Middle East will come from negotiations among Arab nations, not from Western nations with interests in that region, Mills told approximately 200 people at an event sponsored by GW's General Union of Palestinian Students. Three factors affect the situation in the Middle East, he said.

"The first problem is the Israeli-Palestinian question. Secondly, there is the possession of nuclear weapons by Israel, which has induced others to produce either nuclear weapons or the 'poor man's' nuclear weapons (poison gas).

"Thirdly, there is the lack of distribution of wealth by those nations blessed by God with oil," Mills said.

Saddam Hussein can use all three of these points to his advantage, he noted.

Mills said he would disapprove of a strike on Iraq by the United States.

"What we are faced with now is an extremely dangerous situation," he said. "People talk about initiating a quick surgical strike. I don't believe that's possible. We've seen surgical strikes and the civilian casualties as a result of it."

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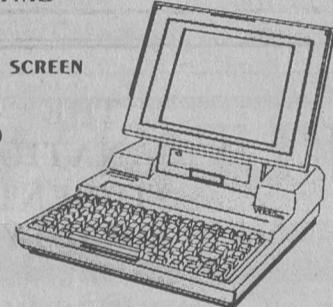
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Hunter S. Thompson to speak at GW

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Thompson is the author of *Fear and Loathing on the Campaign Trail*, detailing the 1972 Presidential Election, and *Generation of Swine*. He has written for *Rolling Stone* and *High Times* magazines, according to Bret Caldwell, chair of the Program Board's Political Affairs Committee which is sponsoring Thompson's speech.

Tickets are still available, although a sellout is expected, Caldwell said, noting that half of the tickets have been reserved for GW students, but will be made available to the public if they do not sell. Admission is \$5 for GW students and \$12 for non-GW students.

Caldwell declined to reveal how much the PB is paying Thompson, but said the PB would break even.

Thompson will speak for most of the night and may answer audience questions, according to Caldwell. "He'll use his own style once he gets up (on stage)," he said.

There are no plans for an autograph session, but Caldwell said he is "working on it."

When asked if Thompson, with a history of drug problems — he recently had multiple drug-possession charges against him dropped — may not be well-received by everyone at GW, Caldwell said he was "getting positive feedback from people who (he) talked to."

"If people are going to start complaining about the speakers we get," he said, "they should come to me so we can work together to get speakers. This is a diverse campus, we're offering diversity and they should get off of their (high) horses."

-David Weber

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by Corene Kendrick

Hatchet Reporter

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"This is an important event and crisis that we should all appreciate and understand so that we can form our own political opinion," American University sociology professor Samih Farsoun said at the event sponsored by the GW Progressive Students Union. "The media is characterizing this as a black-and-white issue—as if George Bush is the good cop rescuing the Arab world from the evil Saddam Hussein. This is simple

imagery played up to rally the American people. This type of oversimplification is dangerous."

Farsoun compared what he said were the bullying tactics of the United States against Iraq to the ones the Iraqis are using in Kuwait. He also said because the United States invaded Panama, it is hypocritical to condemn Iraq's invasion of Kuwait.

Greenpeace policy coordinator Alex Allen said the ways in which energy is used and produced in the United States is destructive to the environment, national economy and national security.

"This cannot be remedied by troops," Allen said. "Operation Desert Shield is a disturbing preview to other world events if we don't get an energy policy."

Rasha Elass, a GW student from Syria, offered the perspective of an insider to the situation. "By refusing to talk (to Hussein)," she said, "President Bush is not seeking peace. He is seeking oil. Any Arab will tell you this."

She said Arabs have more faith in Hussein than the sheiks because Hussein is helping the "have-nots," while the sheiks put the interest of those who "have" first.

Joan Drake of the Women's International League for Peace & Freedom said various organizations for peace need to set aside differences in order to form a unified front against the conflict.

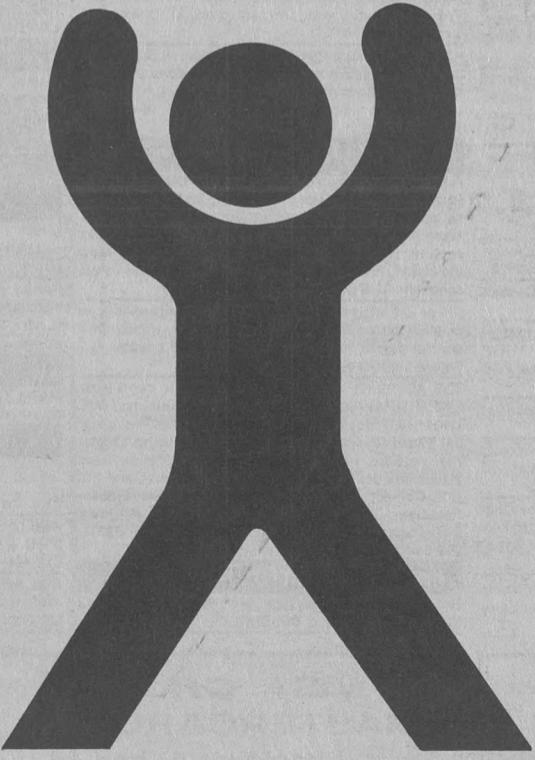
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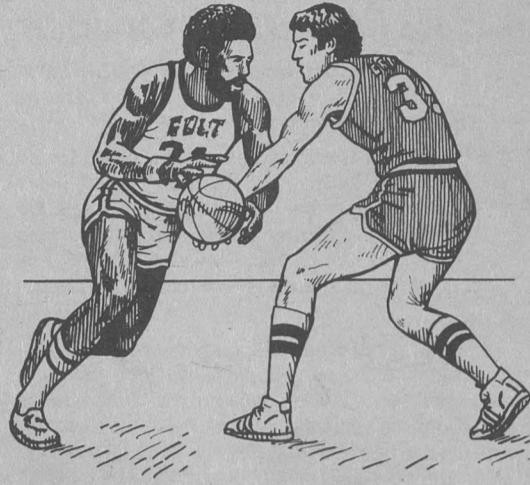
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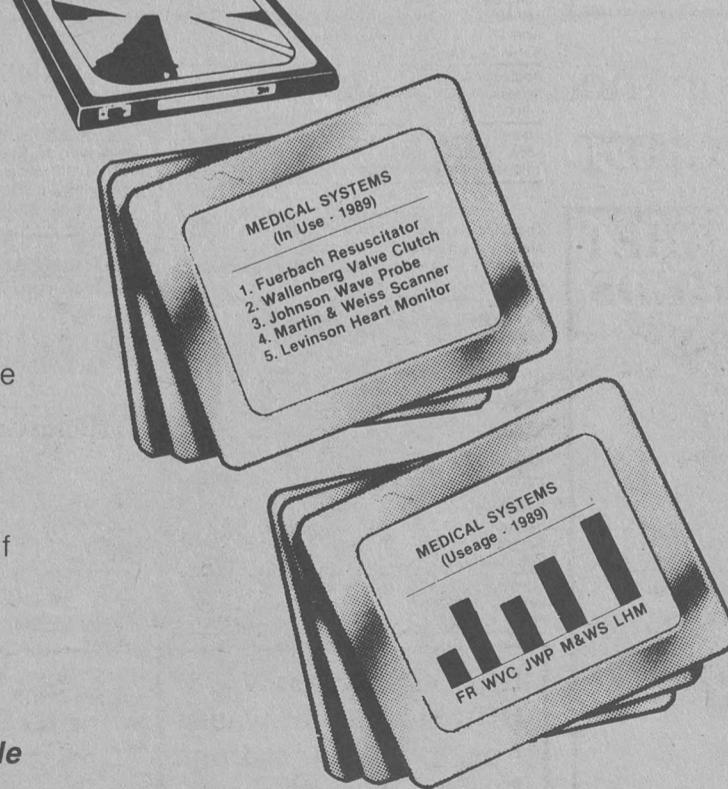
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Sports briefs

Men's basketball

The GW men's basketball team's schedule for the 1990-91 season includes dates with non-conference opponents such as Stanford University, Virginia Tech, Boston University, Old Dominion University and possibly Vanderbilt University.

The Colonials will go up against Stanford at the Apple Invitational in Palo Alto, Calif., Nov. 30, and will face either Vanderbilt or the University of Hawaii in the second game Dec. 1. GW will face Virginia Tech at home Dec. 22 and BU in Boston Jan. 5.

GW kicks off its season Nov. 9 with an exhibition game against Marathon Oil at the Smith Center, followed by another exhibition home game Nov. 20 against Stroytel Club from the Soviet Union.

Men's hoops first regular season game is at Loyola (Md.) in Baltimore, Nov. 24. The Colonials come home for their first Atlantic 10 Conference match-up against St. Joseph's, Nov. 26.

In other popular A-10 games, GW battles Temple Jan. 10 at home and Feb. 7 in Philadelphia, faces Penn State Feb. 3 in the Smith Center and Feb. 18 in University Park and tangles with Rutgers Jan. 17 at home and Feb. 16 in New Brunswick, N.J. In a homecoming tilt, the Colonials meet Rhode Island Feb. 9.

All game times have not been released.

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Women's basketball

The Colonial women kick off their season Nov. 19. Opponents include Georgetown, American, South Florida and Duke and/or South Alabama.

In its first regular season game, GW battles George Mason in Fairfax, Va., Nov. 28. The Colonial women's first home game is against cross-town nemesis GU Dec. 1.

GW will participate in the South Florida Invitational, where they will face Duke and/or South Alabama Dec. 21-22. In another cross-town tilt, the Colonial women will play at AU Dec. 11.

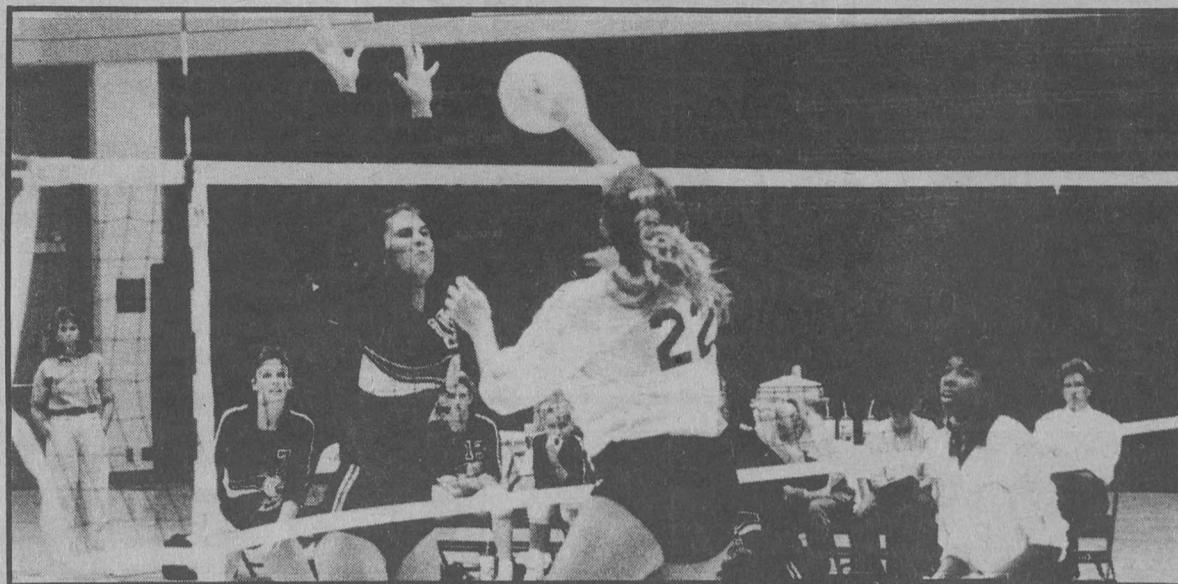
The Colonial women face their first Atlantic 10 Conference opponent Jan. 3 on the road against Rhode Island and host their first A-10 match against St. Joseph's Jan. 8. GW will tangle with Rutgers for homecoming, Feb. 9.

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Souza, O'Neill named players of the week

Glauco Souza, who scored 15 goals in the GW Water Polo Invitational, and Allison O'Neill, whose 42 kills help lead the volleyball team to a 2-0 record, were named GW male and female athletes of the week.

-Ted Gotsch



Allison O'Neill picked up from her performance last week, registering 14 kills against GMU. photo by Jeremy Azif

GW victorious in third straight as Knight helps down GMU, 3-0

by Yosefi Seltzer
Hatchet Sports Writer

Contrary to Billy Crystal's advice, the GW volleyball team felt good rather than looked good in yesterday's win over George Mason.

"We could've been more pumped up, but we got the job done," junior Cinnamon Burnim said after the Colonial women ran their winning streak to three straight matches, knocking off the Patriots 15-10, 15-6 and 15-8, at the Smith Center.

GW (6-10) has won nine straight games since dropping one last Wednesday when the Colonial women knocked off James Madison 3-1.

"It was a pretty straightforward match," GW head coach Susie Homan said. "We also transitioned well, playing the ball off of the net, but it was a flat match."

GW committed only three receiving errors, 13 attack errors and only one ball-handling error compared to the Patriots' 10 receiving errors, 18 attack errors and three ball-handling errors.

"We passed the ball consistently and controlled the ball better," Homan said. "We chased the ball down better than we have all season."

The Colonial women won the first two games in less than an hour as the Patriots (2-6) committed nine errors and had just a .129 attack average in the first game and a .111 average in the second game.

"I drew a blocker off of Allison (O'Neill) and that freed her up (for the kills)," Burnim said.

"They made a good adjustment (on me), but they should have done it sooner," O'Neill said. "(GMU was) pretty disorganized."

Despite its "disorganization," GMU managed to rally in the third game. Trailing 14-3, the Patriots had a 5-0 spurt, delaying the inevitable. The run was caused by GW miscommunication and a lackluster attitude, according to Homan.

"We were too relaxed near the end at 14-3 and the points come real quick," Homan said. "But otherwise, we had good pursuit and a well-controlled attack."

Senior co-captain Kris Knight led the Colonial women with 14 kills, a match-high .478 attack percentage and a team-high eight digs, while O'Neill had a team-second .371 attack percentage and two service aces.

"We served aggressive, that was the key," Burnim said. Freshman Jennifer Smuck led all servers with four service aces, in addition to totaling four kills and a .333 attack percentage.

Homan said she sees advancement in the team's play recently.

"I'm very happy with the team's progress," Homan said. "I'm happy over the last two-and-a-half weeks but we need to continue the pace. We can't be content."

Spikes — GW heads south to Durham, N.C., to play Northwestern Friday at 5 p.m. and North Carolina-Wilmington Saturday at 4 p.m.

Kickers knotted up by Loyola, 2-2

Droze, Morrison score as Colonials tie third in last four games

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You can say the glass is either half empty or half full when talking about the GW men's soccer team.

On the down side, the Colonials played to their third tie in their last four games — yesterday's match in Baltimore ended in a 2-2 deadlock with Loyola (Md.) after two overtimes. On the bright side though, GW (3-3-3) has lost only once in its last seven outings.

The Greyhounds (4-1-3) came out strong in the first half, outshooting the Colonials 9-3. Loyola went up 1-0 on a goal 17:46 into the first half and held that margin until halftime.

"We gave up a goal early," GW head coach George Lidster said. "They played us hard (in the first half)."

However, Lidster said his team showed some toughness by coming back in the second half.

"We were 1-0 down and we were really under the gun the last 30 minutes (of the first half)," he said. "We could have easily died down 1-0. The team does have character."

GW scored both its goals in a three minute span late in the second half.

Freshman Derk Droze was the first Colonial to draw blood with a little more than 10 minutes remaining in regulation. Droze, on a pass from Sami Hijazi, drew the Loyola goalkeeper out of the net and drilled a shot inside the right goalpost for his first collegiate score.

Two minutes and 36 seconds later, senior midfielder Andrew Morrison put the Colonials up 2-1, scoring off a rebound of a Rod Gee shot.

Lidster said his team turned its play up a notch after the first half.

"In the second half and the overtime we created more chances," he said. "We

were the stronger side (after the first half)."

Loyola was able to tie the game on a penalty kick with 4:57 left. The Greyhounds were awarded the free shot after the Colonials were whistled for a hand ball in the goalbox.

Both teams were scoreless in the two overtime periods, despite having some close chances.

Midway through the second overtime, GW's Gary Walker sent a header just wide of the goal. Loyola followed with a scoring opportunity of its own as the Greyhound's Vince Moskunas drilled a shot at GW goalkeeper Chris Yorke who came up with the save. Yorke had nine saves in the game.

Goals — The Colonials play their third straight road game Sunday at 2 p.m. against St. Joseph's in Philadelphia.



Andrew Morrison scored his eighth career goal.

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